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1. Basis of the report

- a. With regard to the **language**, the international search was carried out on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

☐ The international search was carried out on the basis of a translation of the international application furnished to this Authority (Rule 23.1(b)).

- b. ☐ With regard to any **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence** disclosed in the international application, see Box No. I.

2. ☐ **Certain claims were found unsearchable** (See Box II).

3. ☐ **Unity of invention is lacking** (see Box III).

4. With regard to the **title**,

☒ the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.

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- a. the figure of the **drawings** to be published with the abstract is Figure No. _____

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- b. ☒ none of the figures is to be published with the abstract.

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

IPC 7 H01B1/12 G01N21/64 G01N33/00 G01N27/12

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

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Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

EPO-Internal, WPI Data, PAJ, COMPENDEX, EMBASE, MEDLINE, INSPEC, BIOSIS

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	WO 99/57222 A (MASSACHUSETTS INST TECHNOLOGY) 11 November 1999 (1999-11-11) pages 2-5 page 6, lines 3-25 figures 6-15 pages 23-26 claims 1-5	1-13
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☒ Further documents are listed in the continuation of box C.☒ Patent family members are listed in annex.

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A	<p>SWAGER ET AL: "The Molecular Wire Approach to Sensory Signal Amplification" ACCOUNTS OF CHEMICAL RESEARCH, AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY. WASHINGTON, US, vol. 31, no. 5, May 1998 (1998-05), pages 201-207, XP002111383 ISSN: 0001-4842 page 201 - page 203 page 206</p> <p>-----</p>	1-13

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